

forgotten as Americans and freedom loving people all over the world remain indebted to their service.

Though he earned this honor, Justice never received it from the Defense Department and I am pleased to have the opportunity to present to his family the Purple Heart for his selfless devotion to duty and service to the United States.

COMMENDING RICHARD MALIS,
DAVID WHITE, AND TONI'S
DANCE ACADEMY

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 16, 2004

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to commend a few dedicated individuals who have made significant contributions to Northwest Indiana. Richard Malis, David White, and Toni's Dance Academy, will be recognized by the Greater Portage Chamber of Commerce at the Annual Fall Dinner/Dance and Recognition Ceremony awards, on Saturday, November 20, 2004.

These loyal and dedicated individuals will share this prestigious honor. Each one of these individuals has played a key role in enriching the quality of life in Northwest Indiana. These individuals are being honored for their tireless efforts and dedication to the Portage community.

Richard Malis will be honored with the Humanitarian of the Year Award. Richard actively promotes and provides humanitarian services to the Portage community without regard to monetary gain. His outstanding service and donation of time represents the epitome of what a dedicated public servant should be.

David White will be honored with the Outstanding Public Citizen Award. David is recognized for his commitment to the Portage community. He is a well respected individual who volunteers his time and abilities to improve the quality of life for the residents in Portage. David has given his time and efforts selflessly to his community to enhance the image of Portage.

Further, Toni's Dance Academy will be recognized with the Putting Portage on the Map Award. This award recognizes those individuals, teams, or organizations whose achievements bring state or national recognition to the Portage community. Toni's Dance Academy has achieved success in inspiring and enabling individuals to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in commending these individuals for their outstanding contributions to Indiana's First Congressional District. Their commitment to improving the quality of life for the people of Northwest Indiana is truly inspirational and should be recognized and commended.

RECOGNIZING UNIVISIÓN'S SALUD
ES VIDA...¡ENTÉRATE! CAMPAIGN

HON. HILDA L. SOLIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 16, 2004

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I stand before you today to recognize and applaud the efforts of Univisión Communications Inc. for their successful health initiative campaign, "Salud es Vida...¡Entérate!" As the leading Spanish-language media company in the United States, Univisión's health education initiative was launched on November 19, 2003, to raise awareness, increase knowledge and encourage positive decision-making concerning health care issues in the Latino community.

The groundbreaking health initiative has successfully promoted wellness among U.S. Latinos through news programs, public service announcements, literature and an on-line campaign. The Entérate! campaign has featured nationally recognized Latino celebrities and medical experts who educate Univisión's audience on health issues and promote habits of healthy living, access to care and disease-specific prevention and treatment.

The interactive website, Univisión.com, provides information on nutrition, exercise, stress, and alcohol use, empowering users to take control of their health. These programs have proven to be a critical health resource in helping Latinos break health access barriers and change attitudes for healthy living.

Univisión's Entérate! campaign has reached millions of Latinos, improving overall knowledge and understanding of diseases such as diabetes, cancer, heart disease, asthma, and HIV/AIDS which disproportionately impact Latino communities. I am particularly impressed with the campaign's inclusion of dental health—an issue that is too often overlooked in our community, where more than 40 percent of Latino children have untreated dental decay.

Univisión's health initiative is testament to the genuine dedication of the company to improving the well-being of its audience. I applaud the efforts of Univisión and look forward to the continued success of "Salud es Vida...¡Entérate!"

BRING PAUL KLEBNIKOV'S
KILLERS TO JUSTICE

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 16, 2004

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I want to call the attention of my colleagues to the death of journalist Paul Klebnikov, who was murdered on July 9 of this year outside his Moscow office. An American citizen of Russian lineage, Mr. Klebnikov was editor of the Russian edition of Forbes magazine. According to the Committee to Protect Journalists, he was the 11th journalist killed in Russia in a contract-style murder in the past four and a half years.

Mr. Klebnikov had achieved prominence as a result of his investigative journalism which often focused on the connections between business, politics and crime in Russia. Mr.

Klebnikov's investigations resulted in his writing two books, both devoted to exposing corruption within Russia's business and political sectors. Clearly, he made powerful enemies. There has been speculation that his murder was connected to a Forbes article that focused on Moscow's 100 wealthiest people. Someone, goes the theory, did not care for the publicity. Another suggestion is that Mr. Klebnikov's book *Conversation with a Barbarian: Interview with a Chechen Field Commander on Banditry and Islam* may have sparked a motive for the murder.

It was Mr. Klebnikov's love of Russia and his belief that reforms were advancing the nation toward a greater transparency in business and politics that motivated him to launch the Russian edition of Forbes magazine in April 2004. Mr. Klebnikov was committed to exposing and confronting corruption in the hope that such work would contribute to a brighter future for the people of Russia. He believed that accountability was an essential element to achieve lasting reforms.

Unfortunately, this hope for a better future in Russia has been dealt a serious blow by the murder of Paul Klebnikov. As I and ten other Members of the Helsinki Commission wrote to President Putin on October 5th of this year, much more is at stake than determining who killed Paul Klebnikov. The fear and self-censorship arising from the murders of journalists in Russia only serves to add to the corruption of government officials and businessmen. A cowed press cannot be the effective instrument for building the free and prosperous society that Mr. Putin purports to seek.

Mr. Speaker, according to the Russian news agency ITAR-TASS, on the occasion of "Militia Day," November 10, President Vladimir Putin told police officials that protecting the economy from crime and fighting corruption is a priority task in Russia. I would urge Mr. Putin to back up these words with action. Russian authorities should investigate to the fullest extent possible the murder of Mr. Klebnikov, no matter where the trail leads.

Only through rule of law and accountability can Russia achieve the safe, free and comfortable future that Mr. Klebnikov believed was possible.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO KRIS
GARDNER

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 16, 2004

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Kris Gardner, a skillful business manager and dedicated member of her Glenwood Springs, Colorado community. Kris has devoted over thirty years to Alpine Bank and I am proud to stand here with my colleagues before this body of Congress and this Nation today to recognize her many years of service.

The first female bank president of Alpine Bank, Kris' talent and dedication has made much of Alpine Bank's success possible through the years. Over the course of her career she has been named Businesswoman of the Year and received the Distinguished Service Award from the Glenwood Springs Chamber of Commerce from 1980 through 1983. She has served on the Glenwood Springs